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CENTRAL FAX CENTER**In re Patent Application of:  
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For: PROTOCOL FOR A REMOTE CONTROL  
DEVICE TO ENABLE CONTROL OF  
NETWORK ATTACHED DEVICES**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated March 30, 2004 (Paper No. 8), please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.